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## Amendment under Article 19

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## CLAIMS

[1] (Amended) A mobile communication apparatus comprising:

reception means for receiving information;

transmission means for transmitting information;

5 surrounding environment detection means for detecting  
communication obstacles in the surrounding environment;

communication state decision means for making decisions as to the  
communication state quality based on the detected communication obstacles;  
and

10 control means, which transmits received information via the  
transmission means when the surrounding environment detection means  
detects no communication obstacles and the communication state decision  
means decides that the mobile unit is in a satisfactory communication state.

[2] (Amended) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim  
15 1, wherein, when the communication state decision means decides that the  
mobile unit is in an unsatisfactory communication state if the surrounding  
environment detection means detects the communication obstacles, the  
control means transmits the information received by the reception means via  
the transmission means only if no information identical to the received  
20 information is received again within a predetermined period of time after its  
receipt.

[3] (Amended) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim  
1, wherein the surrounding environment detection means is an imaging  
means installed in the mobile unit.

25 [4] (Amended) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim  
1, wherein the reception means and the transmission means is a wireless  
communication device.

[5] (Added) A mobile communication apparatus comprising:

reception means for receiving information;

transmission means for transmitting information;

surrounding environment detection means for detecting communication obstacles in the surrounding environment;

5        communication state decision means for making decisions as to the communication state quality based on the detected communication obstacles;  
and

control means, which transmits, via the transmission means, information received by the reception means if the communication state  
10 decision means decides that the mobile unit is in a satisfactory communication state.

[6]     (Added) A mobile communication apparatus comprising:

reception means for receiving information;

transmission means for transmitting information;

15        surrounding environment detection means for detecting communication obstacles in the surrounding environment;

communication state decision means for making decisions as to the communication state quality based on the detected communication obstacles;  
and

20        control means, which transmits, via the transmission means, the information received by the reception means only if no information identical to that information is received again within a predetermined period of time after its receipt when the communication state decision means decides that the mobile unit is in an unsatisfactory communication state.